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Congressional Inquiries:

Rep. Blaine Luetkemeyer (Mo.) – Phone inquiry – 1/11/13: Requests meeting with the RA to discuss the city of Fulton's wastewater draft permit. Due: 1/18/12. Contact: LaTonya Sanders, 7555 (open)

Rep. Jo Ann Emerson (Mo.) – Letter – 1/8/13: Constituent concern about a Superfund Information Request regarding Fronabarger Concreters, Inc., in Cape Girardeau. Due: 1/23/13. Contact: LaTonya Sanders, 7555 (open)

State Government Inquiries:

House Democratic Committee Members (Iowa) - Email – 1/14/13: Requesting EPA provide a briefing on Nutrient Reduction. Contact: Sarah Hatch, 7199 (closed)

Press Inquiries:

KSDK-TV, Channel 5 (St. Louis) - Leisa Zigman - 1/17/13: Questions about the West Lake Landfill site meeting. Contact: Chris Whitley, 7394 (closed)

St. Louis Post-Dispatch - Jeff Tomich - 1/17/13 - Questions about the West Lake Landfill site meeting in St. Louis, Mo. Contact: Chris Whitley, 7394 (closed)

Jefferson City News Tribune - Bob Watson - 1/18/13 - Questions regarding power plant emissions regulations and the Chamois power plant operated by the Central Electric Power Cooperative. Contact: David Bryan, 7433 (closed)

Environmental Stories:

St. Louis Post-Dispatch - EPA testing continues at radioactive waste site; critics unmoved – 1/18/13 - More than four years after agreeing to a controversial plan to cap Cold War-era radioactive waste and leave it in place at a north St. Louis County landfill, the Environmental Protection Agency says testing continues at the site to validate the decision.
http://www.stltoday.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/epa-testing-continues-at-radioactive-waste-site-critics-unmoved/article_36c477a5-91e4-519a-81f7-b5bee1ee8662.html

KSDK Ch. 5 St. Louis - EPA: Public is safe despite high levels of radioactive material at St. Louis landfill - 1/17/13 - About 200 North County residents squared off against EPA officials Thursday night over tons of illegally dumped radioactive material that is sitting on a flood plain.
<http://www.ksdk.com/news/article/357470/3/EPA-Public-is-safe-despite-high-levels-of-radioactive-material-at-St-Louis-landfill>

Teamsters Union News Release- Community, Environmentalists, Teamsters Tell EPA: Stop Nuclear Fires at Republic Landfill in Missouri - 1/18/13 - Last night, more than 300 people from the Missouri Coalition for the Environment, Missouri Jobs with Justice, and the Teamsters Union attended a public meeting held by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

<http://www.digitaljournal.com/pr/1023039>

KMOV Ch. 4 St. Louis - Big crowd at hearing on Bridgeton contamination - 1/18/13 - Officials with the Environmental Protection Agency say testing continues at a Cold War-era radioactive site in the St. Louis County town of Bridgeton, more than four years after the agency decided to cap the waste and leave it.

<http://www.kmov.com/news/local/Big-crowd-at-hearing-on-Bridgeton-contamination-187464681.html>

KMOX Radio, St. Louis - No Action Yet from EPA on Cleanup Efforts at Bridgeton Landfill - 1/18/13 - Residents and environmentalists claim the Environmental Protection Agency is taking a cap-it-and-cross-your-fingers approach to radioactive waste at Bridgeton's West Lake Landfill.

<http://stlouis.cbslocal.com/2013/01/18/no-action-from-epa-on-cleanup-efforts-at-bridgeton-landfill/>

Des Moines Register - Iowa View: Push officials to do more for clean water - 1/18/13 - Our water quality will not improve without the state of Iowa taking responsibility for meaningful and measurable conservation practices. Iowans do not all share an equal burden or responsibility for improving water quality. <http://www.desmoinesregister.com/article/20130118/OPINION01/301180049/1035/>

KCRG Ch. 9 Cedar Rapids, Iowa - City of Cedar Rapids Starts Digging to Reduce Drought Impact - 1/17/13 - Fears of another dry year prompted the Cedar Rapids Water Department to start an unusual project this week. Water department crews are literally digging a new channel for the Cedar River to bring more water within reach of city wells.

<http://www.kcrg.com/news/local/City-of-Cedar-Rapids-Starts-Digging-to-Reduce-Drought-Impact-187351351.html>

Omaha World-Herald - Omaha Mayor Suttle again pleads city's sewer case with EPA - 1/18/13 - The U.S. Conference of Mayors' winter gathering in Washington this week included a closed session with mayors and officials from EPA. Omaha's Jim Suttle used the opportunity to continue pleading with the EPA that Omaha needs a break on the cost of its ongoing sewer overhaul.

<http://www.omaha.com/article/20130118/NEWS/701189913>

BNA - Mayors Press EPA for Greater Flexibility On Compliance With Clean Water Act Rules - 1/18/13 - The nation's mayors once again demanded Jan. 17 that the Environmental Protection Agency give cities and towns facing budget constraints greater flexibility on compliance with costly Clean Water Act regulations.

http://news.bna.com/deln/DELNWB/split_display.adp?fedfid=29153604&vname=dennotallissues&jd=a0d6b2p1u8&split=0

Des Moines Register - Cellulosic ethanol output poised to soar – industry - 1/17/13 - Supporters of advanced biofuels said on Thursday cellulosic ethanol is on the verge of coming into its own after a slow start.

<http://blogs.desmoinesregister.com/dmr/index.php/2013/01/17/cellulosic-ethanol-output-poised-to-soar/>

Kansas City Examiner - Spring Cleaning-The Natural Way - 1/17/13 - If you do all you know how to do for your health and still clean with chemicals, you could be still be at risk for health problems. Household cleaners that have warning labels are a clue. Why would you want to clean your house with toxic chemicals? www.examiner.com/article/spring-cleaning-the-natural-way

Iowa Farmer Today - EPA commends state's plan to reduce nutrients - 1/18/13 - Iowa is being commended by the EPA for developing the state's draft Nutrient Reduction Strategy. Karl Brooks, EPA Region 7 administrator, in a letter commends the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and Iowa Department of Agriculture for developing the strategy that embraces ambitious specific nutrient reduction targets.

http://www.iowafarmertoday.com/news/crop/epa-commends-state-s-plan-to-reduce-nutrients/article_3339998e-6185-11e2-bd42-001a4bcf887a.html

Christian Science Monitor - 1/18/13 - Keystone XL pipeline: Could blocking it be bad for the environment? - 1/18/13 - The Keystone XL pipeline has long been a target of environmentalists, Holland writes, but blocking the Keystone XL pipeline may actually have some counterproductive effects on the environment.

<http://www.csmonitor.com/Environment/Energy-Voices/2013/0118/Keystone-XL-pipeline-Could-blocking-it-be-bad-for-the-environment>

New York Times - Drought Points Up Critical Role of Waterways - 1/18/13 - When people think of the Mississippi River, they might have visions of Mark Twain and old steamboats. But few Americans understand the vast amounts of shipping traffic that still makes its way up and down the river, part of the world's largest navigable inland waterway.

<http://green.blogs.nytimes.com/2013/01/18/drought-points-up-critical-role-of-u-s-waterways/>

Greenwire - EPA launches dialogue on affordability with mayors, water agencies - 1/18/13 - U.S. EPA today launched a dialogue with mayors and local communities that are struggling to pay for expensive water system upgrades during tough economic times.

<http://www.eenews.net/Greenwire/rss/2013/01/18/6>

WaterWorld - EPA assures open dialogue on clean water affordability, NACWA applauds agency's commitment - 1/18/13 - The National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA) is encouraged by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) recent Memorandum committing to a dialogue with the U.S. Conference of Mayors, NACWA, and other key stakeholders on the financial capability of communities to meet their Clean Water Act (CWA) obligations.

<http://www.waterworld.com/articles/2013/01/epa-assures-open-dialogue-on-clean-water-affordability--nacwa-ap.html>

Bloomberg - Rootworms Are Resistant to Monsanto Corn in Two States - 1/18/13 - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency said rootworms in Illinois and Iowa have become resistant to an insecticide produced by Monsanto Co. (MON) corn, and four more states likely have resistant worms.

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2013-01-18/rootworms-are-resistant-to-monsanto-corn-in-two-states.html>

Greenwire - Agency officials to meet with unions on sequestration - 1/18/13 - U.S. EPA officials plan to meet with unions next week to discuss potential sequestration issues as the uncertainty about the federal budget continues. <http://www.eenews.net/Greenwire/2013/01/18/22>

Greenwire - Industry group faults EPA for higher electric bills - 1/18/13 - U.S. electricity consumers struggling to pay utility bills are getting hurt by U.S. EPA's crackdown on coal-fired power, the American Coalition for Clean Coal Electricity said in a report today.

<http://www.eenews.net/Greenwire/rss/2013/01/18/20>

Powerline - The mysterious case of Richard Windsor - 1/18/13 - All is not as it appears in the case of Richard Windsor, the alias used by outgoing EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson, apparently to shield email messages from discovery and disclosure.

<http://www.powerlineblog.com/archives/2013/01/the-myserious-case-of-richard-windsor.php>

Chemical & Engineering News - Global-Warming Warnings - 1/18/13 - Global warming is occurring at record levels and is due to increasing atmospheric greenhouse gases generated by human activities, according to several new government scientific reports issued in recent weeks.

<http://cen.acs.org/articles/91/i3/Global-Warming-Warnings.html>

USA Today - Watchdog to probe EPA handling of lead smelter risks - 1/18/13 - The EPA's inspector general, in the wake of a USA TODAY investigation, has announced it plans to examine the agency's program for addressing human exposures to lead smelters during 2013.

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2013/01/17/epa-inspector-general-probes-agency-performance-on-lead-smelters/1842879/>

Biofuels Digest - DOE sets goal of 2,500 gallon per acre algae biomass demonstration by 2018 - 1/17/13 - In Washington, the US Department of Energy announced a "Advancements in Algal Biomass Yield" Funding Opportunity of up to \$10 million to help unlock the potential of biofuels made from algae. <http://www.biofuelsdigest.com/bdigest/2013/01/17/doe-sets-goal-of-2500-gallon-per-acre-algae-biomass-demonstration-by-2018/>

NRDC (blog) - Could our Corn Belt "grow" energy more efficiently--and help clean up our waters too? - 1/17/13 - Because such a large share of our corn acres is dedicated to ethanol production, somewhat counter-intuitively, converting some of the land currently growing corn into perennial energy crop production will likely not mean that there is less corn for food or livestock feed. http://switchboard.nrdc.org/blogs/slyutse/could_our_corn_belt_grow_energ.html

Biofuels Digest - If you have the stones: the Ethanol blend wall, revisited - 1/18/13 - In today's Digest, we look at what the oil industry has termed the "ethanol blend wall" to find the stones with which it is constructed and the windows that might provide access to wonders on the other side. <http://www.biofuelsdigest.com/bdigest/2013/01/18/if-you-have-the-stones-the-ethanol-blend-wall-revisited/>

Rolling Stone - Obama's Climate Challenge - 1/18/13 - As America wakes up to the dangers ahead, the president has a historic opportunity to take bold action on global warming. <http://www.rollingstone.com/politics/news/obamas-climate-challenge-20130117>

Washington Post - As State Department nears completion of Keystone XL review, both sides dig in - 1/17/13 - The State Department is close to completing a draft of an environmental review that will help determine whether President Obama approves the Keystone XL pipeline, as environmental and energy industry groups sought to bolster their position with new information. http://www.washingtonpost.com/business/economy/in-keystone-xl-debate-environmental-group-wants-pet-coke-counted-in-impact-statements/2013/01/17/d6b45f0a-609e-11e2-b05a-605528f6b712_story.html

Greenwire - Sulfur-slashing standards for gasoline 'urgently needed,' groups tell White House - 1/17/13 - Public health advocates yesterday sought to ramp up pressure on the White House to issue a proposal that would cut the amount of sulfur in gasoline and consequently result in less harmful tailpipe air emissions. <http://www.eenews.net/Greenwire/2013/01/17/30>

Greenwire - FERC proposes to ease restrictions for small generators - 1/17/13 - The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission today handed the solar industry a potential victory after proposing to ease roadblocks that small solar generators face when trying to connect to the electric grid. <http://www.eenews.net/Greenwire/2013/01/17/19>

Greenwire - Policy uncertainty hampers U.S. clean power development -- report - 1/17/13 - Wind, solar and other renewable sources are expected to account for about half the new electricity capacity installed worldwide over the next several years, but lingering uncertainty around U.S. energy policy is making the situation more difficult for domestic companies operating in those sectors, according to a report released today. <http://www.eenews.net/Greenwire/2013/01/17/9>

Greenwire - New reports show Keystone XL a likely driver of future warming - 1/17/13 - International environmental groups today released two reports detailing the likely climate costs of the proposed Keystone XL oil pipeline in a last-minute attempt to persuade the Obama administration not to approve it. <http://www.eenews.net/Greenwire/2013/01/17/8>

E&E News PM - EPA starts voluntary program for reducing soot emissions - 1/17/13 - U.S. EPA today launched a voluntary program aimed at helping communities meet new air emissions limits for fine particles, or soot. <http://www.eenews.net/eenewspm/rss/2013/01/17/5>

Christian Science Monitor - Keystone XL pipeline, global warming on Obama's energy agenda -

1/17/13 - The Keystone XL pipeline and global warming are a few of the energy issues on President Barack Obama's second-term agenda. Obama blocked the Keystone XL pipeline last year, citing uncertainty over the conduit's route through environmentally sensitive land in Nebraska.

<http://www.csmonitor.com/Environment/Latest-News-Wires/2013/0117/Keystone-XL-pipeline-global-warming-on-Obama-s-energy-agenda>

Chemical & Engineering News - Energy Department Announces Radioactive Waste Strategy -

1/17/13 - The U.S. has taken another step on a seemingly endless path to address the fate of some 68,000 metric tons of high-level radioactive waste currently stored all over the country at more than 100 operating nuclear power plants and other facilities.

<http://cen.acs.org/articles/91/i3/Energy-Department-Announces-Radioactive-Waste.html>

ClimateWire - Drought conditions could worsen in Midwest -- NOAA - 1/18/13 - The drought that has gripped the central United States for the past two years is holding on tight, federal forecasters said yesterday. <http://www.eenews.net/climatewire/rss/2013/01/18/9>

ClimateWire - Dueling reports outline pipeline benefits, dangers - 1/18/13 - Green groups and oil industry advocates continued the battle over the Keystone XL pipeline yesterday with a flurry of competing reports about the proposed TransCanada line.

<http://www.eenews.net/climatewire/rss/2013/01/18/8>

PlanetArk - As drought persists, many scramble to save every drop of water - 1/18/13 - The drought that crippled many communities across the nation last year shows little sign of retreating, and the threat of persistent water scarcity is spurring efforts to preserve every drop.

<http://planetark.org/enviro-news/item/67652>

Inside Climate - About a Dozen Environment Reporters Left at Top 5 U.S. Papers - 1/18/13 - The news last week that the New York Times is dismantling its environment desk and reassigning the reporters throughout the newsroom provoked an outpouring of reaction, much of it suggesting that now isn't the time to take risks that could diminish the coverage of climate change.

<http://insideclimatenews.org/news/20130114/new-york-times-dismantles-environmental-desk-climate-change-global-warming-journalism-newspapers-hurricane-sandy>

France 24 - Rich countries reluctant to help finance mercury treaty: UN officials - 1/17/13 -

Crisis-weary developed countries' reluctance to help finance a ground-breaking international treaty to rein in the use of health-hazardous mercury is threatening the accord, UN officials warned Thursday.

<http://www.france24.com/en/20130117-rich-countries-reluctant-help-finance-mercury-treaty-un-officials>

New York Times (blog) - 2 Reports on Oil Sands Paint a Dire Picture - 1/17/13 - Opponents of the Keystone XL pipeline and the heavy Canadian crude oil that it would carry released two reports on Thursday asserting that the environmental impacts of the project are worse than previously estimated, and urged the Obama administration to veto it.

<http://green.blogs.nytimes.com/2013/01/17/2-reports-on-oil-sands-paint-a-dire-picture/?ref=energy-environment>

BNA - EPA to Re-Examine Fracking Air Rule, Wants Legal Challenges to Be Put on Hold - 1/18/13 -

The Environmental Protection Agency told a federal appeals court it will reconsider aspects of air pollution standards for natural gas hydraulic fracturing operations and has laid out a schedule for further rulemaking.

http://news.bna.com/deln/DELNWB/split_display.adp?fedfid=29153598&vname=denotallissues&jd=a0d6b2j2x4&split=0

BNA - New EPA Particulate Program Encourages Attainment Areas to Reduce Emissions - 1/18/13

- The Environmental Protection Agency launched a voluntary program Jan. 17 to assist areas that meet fine particulate matter standards in making further emissions reductions.

http://news.bna.com/deIn/DELNWB/split_display.adp?fedfid=29153593&vname=dennotallissues&jd=a0d6b2f0p5&split=0

BNA - Cellulosic Ethanol Producers See Benefits For Industry From Renewables Standard -

1/18/13 - The renewable fuel standard has provided the incentives and stability necessary to grow the cellulosic ethanol industry and should not be repealed, ethanol producers said Jan. 17.

http://news.bna.com/deIn/DELNWB/split_display.adp?fedfid=29153594&vname=dennotallissues&jd=a0d6b2g3r0&split=0

BNA - Energy Department Budget Likely to Shrink, Creating Need for Creativity, Chu Says -

1/18/13 - Energy Secretary Steven Chu told a gathering of mayors Jan. 17 that creativity will be required when it comes to the future of federal energy project funding, as the department's budget is expected to shrink.

http://news.bna.com/deIn/DELNWB/split_display.adp?fedfid=29153602&vname=dennotallissues&jd=a0d6b2m0k5&split=0

BNA - EPA Inspector General to Audit Watch List Of Alleged Violations Not Yet Addressed -

1/18/13 - The Environmental Protection Agency inspector general will evaluate the agency's public list of alleged violations of environmental laws that have gone unaddressed, according to a memorandum to the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance.

http://news.bna.com/deIn/DELNWB/split_display.adp?fedfid=29153600&vname=dennotallissues&jd=a0d6b2j9g5&split=0

BNA - Use of Anaerobic Digestion Technologies Could Expand With Governmental Support -

1/18/13 - There is substantial room for growth of the anaerobic digestion industry in the United States, but the technology will not be as popular as it is in Europe without additional government subsidies and investment.

http://news.bna.com/deIn/DELNWB/split_display.adp?fedfid=29153589&vname=dennotallissues&jd=a0d6b2a8h4&split=0

Inside EPA - PTC Extension Buys Time For Industry, Congress To Weigh Broad Reform - 1/17/13 -

Changes to a key tax credit for wind and other alternative forms of generation in the recently enacted fiscal cliff deal could significantly extend the amount of time industry has to claim the credit.

<http://cleanenergyreport.com/201301172421869/Clean-Energy-Report-Daily-News/News/ptc-extension-buys-time-for-industry-congress-to-weigh-broad-reform/menu-id-202.html>

Inside EPA - EPA IG Eyes Host Of Key Program Reviews In Plan For 2013 Evaluations - 1/17/13 -

EPA's Inspector General (IG) is planning to launch a host of evaluations into key agency programs as part of its 2013 agenda, which broadly aims to help EPA address management challenges including a lack of workforce planning, limited cybersecurity defenses and inconsistent oversight of delegation of federal programs to states.

<http://insideepa.com/201301172421802/EPA-Daily-News/Daily-News/epa-ig-eyes-host-of-key-program-reviews-in-plan-for-2013-evaluations/menu-id-95.html>

Inside EPA - Arguments Set In Biomass GHG Case - 1/17/13 - The U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit has scheduled April 8 oral arguments to hear environmentalists' lawsuit over EPA's decision to temporarily exempt stationary sources that burn biomass from greenhouse gas (GHG) permit requirements.

<http://insideepa.com/201301172421824/EPA-Blog/The-Inside-Story/arguments-set-in-biomass-ghg-case/menu-id-97.html>

Inside EPA - Environmentalists Urge Administration To Expand Keystone's GHG Review - 1/17/13 -

Environmentalists are urging the Obama administration to expand the scope of the greenhouse gas (GHG) impacts it is reviewing for a decision on whether to permit the Keystone XL tar sands pipeline.

<http://insideepa.com/201301172421851/EPA-Daily-News/Daily-News/environmentalists-urge-administrati-on-to-expand-keystones-ghg-review/menu-id-95.html>

Inside EPA - Researchers Push EPA Focus On Behavior Studies To Inform Future NAAQS -

1/17/13 - Air quality researchers are urging EPA to place greater emphasis on studying the public's behavior and how that affects criteria pollutants to inform future national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS).

<http://insideepa.com/201301182421890/EPA-Daily-News/Daily-News/researchers-push-epa-focus-on-behavior-studies-to-inform-future-naaqs/menu-id-95.html>

Inside EPA - EPA Plans Talks With Cities On Water Costs But Resists Call For Overhaul - 1/17/13 -

EPA is slated to launch talks with mayors and other municipal officials over how it determines whether cities can afford infrastructure upgrades needed to comply with combined sewer overflows (CSOs) requirements.

<http://insideepa.com/201301182421914/EPA-Daily-News/Daily-News/epa-plans-talks-with-cities-on-water-costs-but-resists-call-for-overhaul/menu-id-95.html>

Inside EPA - House GOP Moves Quickly To Repeal Clean Energy Incentives In 'Cliff' Deal - 1/17/13

- A group of House Republicans is backing recently introduced legislation to repeal a slew of tax credits for biofuels and alternative vehicles that were included in the 'fiscal cliff' package to avert increased income taxes.

<http://cleanenergyreport.com/201301172421868/Clean-Energy-Report-Daily-News/News/house-gop-moves-quickly-to-repeal-clean-energy-incentives-in-cliff-deal/menu-id-202.html>

Inside EPA - EPA Limits Scope Of Review For Oil Groups' NSR Rule Streamlining Push - 1/17/13 -

EPA has rejected a request from several oil and petroleum groups for a broad reconsideration of a new source review (NSR) rule in order to simplify and streamline NSR permitting for new energy facilities.

<http://cleanenergyreport.com/201301172421801/Clean-Energy-Report-Daily-News/News/epa-limits-scope-of-review-for-oil-groups-nsr-rule-streamlining-push/menu-id-202.html>

Press Releases:

Link to all R7 press releases: <http://go.usa.gov/Qx5>

None

Fact Sheets:

Link to all R7 fact sheets: <http://www.epa.gov/region7/factsheets>

None

Upcoming Administrator/RA Events:

* New additions noted with an asterisk

1/23/13 - Visit the Science and Technology Center, Kansas City, Kan. Contact: Julia Cacho, 7071

1/24/13 - Meet and greet with Richard Baron of McCormack, Baron, Salazar Development, Inc., St. Louis, Mo. Contact: Julia Cacho, 7071

1/24/13 - Meet with Carter Carburetor Stakeholders, St. Louis, Mo. Contact: David Cozad, 7587

1/29/13 - Visit the Training and Logistics Center, Kansas City, Mo. Contact: Julia Cacho, 7071

1/30/13 - Regional Tribal Operations Committee Quarterly Meeting, Kansas City, Mo. Contact: Wolfgang Brandner, 7381

***2/4/13** - Iowa Department of Natural Resources/EPA Workplan Meeting, Des Moines, Iowa. Contact, Karen Flournoy, 7782

2/5/13 – Meet and greet with John Frece, Director, EPA Office of Sustainable Communities (OSC), Regional Office. Contact: David Doyle, 7667

2/6/13 - Meet and greet with Chairman Dennis Hedke, Kansas House Energy and Environment Committee, Topeka, Kan. Contact: Sarah Hatch, 7199

***2/6-8/13** - Strategic Planning Meeting, Washington, D.C. Contact: Julia Cacho, 7071

2/7/13 - *12th Annual New Partners for Smart Growth Conference, Kansas City, Mo.* Contact: David Doyle, 7667

2/14/13 - Meet and greet with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Col. Anthony Funkhouser, Regional Office. Contact: Julia Cacho, 7071

2/22/13 - Interview with Ken Root, WHO-TV, Des Moines, Iowa. Contact: Kris Lancaster, 7557

***3/4-6/13** - Iowa State University Lecture Series - Guest Speaker, Ames, Iowa. Contacts: Josh Svaty, 7202 and Julia Cacho, 7071

***4/16/13** - Greater St. Louis Air & Waste Management Association meeting, St. Louis, Mo. Contact: Becky Weber, 7487.

DRA:

***1/30/13** - Regional Tribal Operations Committee Quarterly Meeting, Kansas City, Mo. Contact: Wolfgang Brandner, 7381

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2/19/13 - Air & Waste Management Association (A&WMA) presentation, Overland Park, Kan. Contact: Dana Peters, 7444

SA:

***2/22/13** - Interview with Ken Root, WHO-TV, Des Moines, Iowa. Contact: Kris Lancaster, 7557

***3/4-6/13** - Iowa State University Lecture Series - Guest Speaker, Ames, Iowa. Contacts: Josh Svaty, 7202 and Julia Cacho, 7071

RA/Immediate Office

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Other Events

AWMD

None

CNSL

None

ECO/J

None

ENSV

None

PLMG

1/23/13 - OSWER and OAM meeting with Acquisition and Superfund Programs regarding Remedial Acquisition Framework/Strategy, Regional Office. Contact: Lee Thomas, 7739

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None

SUPR

None

WWPD

***1/22-23/13** - Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations Presentation, Carroll, Iowa. Contact: Stephen Pollard, 7582

1/22-24/13 - Groundwater Protection Council Meeting, Sarasota, Fla. Contacts: Kurt Hildebrandt, 7413, David Garrett, 7159

1/22/13 - Kansas Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategy meeting, Manhattan, Kan. Contact: Steve Schaff, 7447

1/24/13 - Keynote address at State Association of Kansas Watersheds, Topeka, Kan. Contact: Karen Flournoy, 7782

***1/31/13** – Regional Tribal Operations Committee meeting at National Oceanic and Atmospheric Agency, Kansas City, Mo. Contacts: Mary Tietjen Mindrup, 7431; Stan Calow, 7410

2/7/13 - Missouri Water Classification Workgroup Meeting, Jefferson City, Mo. Contact: Bob Angelo, 7060